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CONSPIRACY ITS HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Charles B. Kinnard

LOUIS XVI ascended to the throne of France in the year 1774 at the age of twenty. With him came his young wife, Marie Antoinette. They were heard to say: "O, God, guide us, protect us; we are too young to reign."

Ample reasons existed for their fears. A subterranean fire had already been started beneath the institutions of France. The foundations of their throne were beginning to slide.

Groups of conspirators, meeting in secret lodge rooms, were plotting the destruction of morals, religion and orderly government. Louis moved to Versailles. A National Assembly was formed in Paris. The two systems pulled against each other.

The conspirators sprung their trap on July 14, 1789. Propaganda was used to inflame the passions of the masses. Mobs were organized. The fuse was ignited by a false report, circulated on the streets of Paris, that the King had ordered the commander of the Bastille to turn its guns upon the city.

The Bastille was a military fortress and prison in the heart of Paris. As often happens, a lie did incalculable harm. From thousands of throats the cry went up, "To the Bastille! Down with the Bastille!"

A frenzied mob stormed the stronghold. The commander of the fortress was unprepared and had only a feeble garrison. He resisted for five hours and capitulated. All defenders of the property were brutally murdered. Heads of victims were placed on poles and paraded through the streets.

News of what had happened in Paris was quickly carried to Louis at Versailles. Roused from sleep, he said to the messenger, "Why, this is a revolt." "No, sire," was the reply, "it is a revolution."

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The nation was given the blood bath, known in history as the French Revolution — a holocaust that claimed more than a million and a half lives. Years of planning by a conspiratorial underground, operating like the modern Communist Party, preceded the outburst.

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BLOOD FLOWED for six years, 1789 to 1795. This period is divided into two divisions ... from the taking of the Bastille to the Reign of Terror. And from the Reign of Terror to the French Directory.

Flood gates of vice and crime were thrown open. Restraint against lawlessness was lifted. Religion, government, morals and institutions which accompany organized society — everything good, was destroyed.

Because revolutions thrive on empty stomachs, those responsible for the massacre inaugurated an intricate scheme for controlling foodstuffs and destroying grain. The rulers of Russia are indebted to the French Revolution for their system of planned starvation.

Henry Wallace, a man of many red attachments, must have had something similar in mind when, as Secretary of Agriculture, he set up and directed the A.A.A. Those were the days when Communists inside the New Deal expected to carry the United States into physical revolution and bloodshed. Hunger breeds anger.

One historian says: "There was scarcity of bread in the capital (Paris), and to render the condition worse, thousands of desperate tramps had come into the city eager for riot and pillage."

These wandering bands, bent upon murder, rape and robbery, were formed into mobs and turned loose to abuse

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those who wanted to see France saved. Asher Ginzberg, one of the anti-Christians responsible for Russia's capitulation, arranged similarly for Orientals to flood the country's leading cities to ravish and kill Gentile women by the thousands during the Russian revolution.

General LaFayette protected Louis and the royal family for a time but they were finally turned over to the conspirators on October 6, 1789.

The great general said: "An invisible hand rules the mob."

Every major development in the French Revolution is paralleled wherever the present program of Soviet revolution succeeds. The conclusion must be that a self-propagating international wrecking crew, operating from hidden sources, has for decades precipitated revolutions in various nations ... and now expect to bring their conspiracy to completion on a world-wide scale.

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THE REVOLUTIONARY TIDE that swept Europe in the latter part of the eighteenth century was preceded by an epoch of moral and religious decay. Christianity had been systematically attacked, and sapped of its strength by English Deism — a system of godless thought which could be more correctly called Jewish Deism.

A study of Deism shows that its attitude toward Christianity is identical with historic Judaism and present-day Modernism.

Modernism is Judaism cast in the molds of Christian theological vernacular. They comprise two attacks, iden-

tical in nature, upon evangelical Christianity. Deism stemmed from the same Judaistic source.

Deists rejected the virgin birth, deity, atonement, resurrection and miracles of Christ. Jews and Modernists voice the same rejections.

Deists rejected the divine inspiration of the Old and New Testaments. Jews and Modernists hold to the same view.

Deists rejected every supernatural claim made for the Christian religion. Jews and Modernists share the same guilt.

Let modern apostates, occupying pulpits of the Church, understand that their heresy is merely a restatement of the Judaistic attitude toward historical and evangelical Christianity.

Benedictus de Spinoza, a Dutch Jew whose parents came from Portugal, was the most brilliant deist of his day. The Encyclopaedia Britannica credits him with being, "the father of Higher Criticism of the Bible."

The same authoritative source goes on to explain: "Spinoza rejected all claims that Biblical literature should be treated in a manner entirely different from that in which any other document is treated that claims to be historical. His contention that the Bible 'is in parts imperfect, corrupt, erroneous, and inconsistent with itself, and that we possess but fragments of it' roused a great storm ... Many ministers of religion now praise Spinoza's services in the correct interpretation of Scripture as a document of first rate importance in the progressive development of human thought and conduct."

The flat denial of supernaturalism by the deists finds echo in every modernist pulpit today.

Spinoza's views permeated the schol-

arship of Europe and crossed the ocean to America. Higher criticism entered the universities, theological seminaries and religious schools of the United States. From these centers it filtered through pulpits and into pews.

In his youth, Spinoza studied the Jewish Talmud, a vile, anti-social document full of hatred for the person of Christ. These early studies stamped him with undying animosity for the claims of Christianity.

The Talmud is, in the last analysis, the seed plot of Judaism, Deism, Modernism and Communism. It contains the following damning admission: "To communicate anything to a Goy about our religious relations would be equal to the killing of all the Jews, for if Goys knew what we teach about them, they would kill us openly." (*Book of Libbre David 37.*)

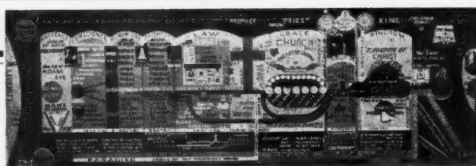
Spinoza's writings were so venomous that the Amsterdam community of Jews expelled him from the synagogue to appease the Gentile environment. He protested the action and claimed to be a loyal member of his race. Leading deists of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries claimed him as their intellectual guide and mentor.

One of his closest associates was Thomas Hobbes, who called Christianity "the kingdom of darkness."

Dr. John Orr, an authority on Deism, says: "His (Hobbes) unorthodox theology and his criticism of the Bible aroused Christians in general, and the Protestant clergy in particular, against him ... While discussing revelation Hobbes made the remark that the transmission of Scripture had been in the hands of power-usurping clergy who were not averse to using fraud. Most deists made a similar observation and from it concluded that the text of Scripture is therefore utterly corrupted and untrustworthy."

John Toland, a deist who lived a generation later, professed a debt of gratitude to Spinoza. His book, "Christianity Not Mysterious," was a polemic aimed at the Faith.

Deism's attack on religion paved the way for revolution. Wesley's revival eventually broke its spell in England. The spirit of the Reformation triumphed in Germany. But France was less fortunate.



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LIKE ALL DEISTS, Spinoza worshipped at the shrine of the Goddess of Reason.

The Encyclopaedia Britannica also calls him "the prince of the rationalists." The quotation continues: "He insisted that even the Scriptures must be submitted to the test of reason, and produced the most effective protest against the subordination of reason to their authority."

Reason was deified during the French Revolution.

In describing the events that took place during 1793, C. MacFarlane, the well-known historian, says: "Before the year ended the legislators in Paris voted there was no God, and destroyed or altered nearly everything that had reference to Christianity. Robespierre, who would have stopped short at Deism, and who would have preserved the external decencies, was overruled and intimidated."

It was a dramatic hour when the ruling deists and atheists of France assembled in Notre Dame Cathedral to worship the Goddess of Reason. A young woman, an actress, was chosen to receive the homage of the rulers. The occasion was called, the "Festival of Liberty."

A "Torch of Truth" burned brightly upon the altar. Chaumette announced that the people wanted no more priests and no gods other than those offered by nature.

Chaumette demanded that Notre Dame Cathedral should thenceforth bear the name of Temple of Reason. A decree to that effect was immediately passed.

The "dechristianizing" movement quickly became general in Paris. All sections of the city renounced religion, closed their parish Churches and reopened them as temples of reason. The sabbath was abolished, crosses torn down, signs of mourning for the dead forbidden and worship services eliminated.

The calendar was abolished and people were no more allowed to reckon time from the birth of Christ. Year One was the year of the French Revolution.

Robespierre became the absolute ruler of the country and was more despotic than any of the Bourbon kings. He created a new deity called the Supreme Being and made a great theatrical performance.

Dressed in a sky-blue coat, holding a bunch of flowers, fruit and grain in his hand, Robespierre appeared on the

Field of Mars, in Paris, before a great throng of people.

A choir of two thousand voices sang a hymn to the Supreme Being. Bands of young girls scattered flowers. Then Robespierre set fire to two allegorical figures representing Atheism and Selfishness. As they burned, a figure representing Wisdom appeared.

But no sooner was the performance over than the guillotine, which had been temporarily veiled, began its work. History records that an average of two hundred a week were put to death at that time. This was five years after the Revolution.

The destruction of life became unendurable. Sentiment finally crystallized against Robespierre and he was beheaded July 28, 1794. We only need to study the French Reign of Terror to discover where the leaders of the Russian Revolution got their pattern for the slaughter of millions of innocent victims.

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THE BREAKDOWN of religion and morals threw Europe out of balance, and made possible the rise of revolutionary leaders animated by destructive motives. Currents which started flowing during the latter part of the eighteenth century are moving today with ever increasing velocity.

There is a direct underground connection between the French Revolution and the Communist program of the twentieth century. One man emerged as director of the revolutionary movement who applied the torch to the institutions of Europe. His name was Adam Weishaupt.

In May 1776, this man of mystery founded the Lodge of the Illuminati, a secret society, to spread the economic, philosophic and political views of an occult group organized to attack the existing order. The main objectives of the society were:

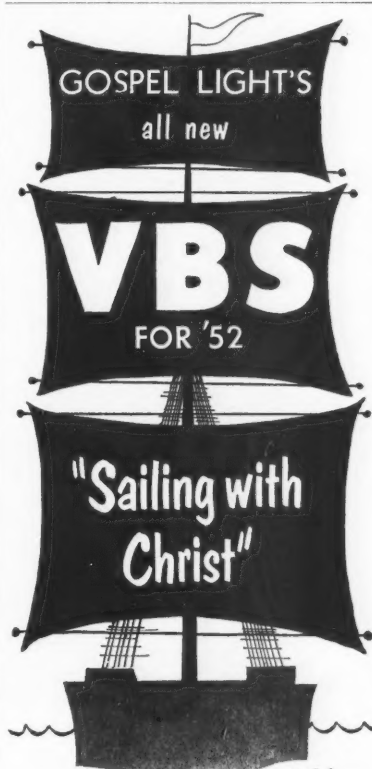
1. Abolition of religion.
2. Abolition of ordered government.
3. Abolition of moral standards including marriage and family life.
4. Abolition of patriotism.
5. Abolition of the economic system now known as free enterprise and Capitalism.
6. Abolition of private property and property rights, including the privilege of inheritance.

These negatives have been adopted by all succeeding revolutionary move-

ments. Karl Marx plagiarized the writings of Weishaupt and produced the First Communist Manifesto, which remains the bible of all red organizations to this day.

Weishaupt's closest associate was a cabalist from Egypt by the name of Kolmar. These two demonical conspirators and their henchmen gained access to Masonic lodge rooms, introduced rites that were supposed to embody very ancient wisdom and used the order as a cloak for their crimes. Illuminism was presented as the capstone of Masonry.

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 cle.

opean Masonry today. The organization
 became perverted by promoters of revo-
 lution in the eighteenth century and
 the stain has never been removed.

The membership of the Illuminati
 was divided into two groups. First, a
 comparatively few adepts or leaders.

thoroughly trained and initiated, work-
 ing at top levels. Second, a vast num-
 ber of recruited dupes, who possessed
 little knowledge regarding the real pur-
 poses involved.

The organization spread rapidly
 throughout France, Italy and the terri-
 tory later covered by the German Em-

pire. Officials of the Bavarian Govern-
 ment ferreted out the plot, arrested its
 leaders, confiscated the lodge rooms
 and assembled evidence which was cop-
 ied and sent to every civilized govern-
 ment.

Weishaupt escaped across the river
 Rhine and transferred the seat of his
 operations to Paris. There he ignited
 a subterranean flame which came to
 the surface in the conflagration of the
 French Revolution.

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AN UNDERGROUND organization
 connects the French Revolution
 and the Russian Revolution of 1918.
 In the Illuminati we also have spread
 before us the pattern for World Revo-
 lution. Modern Communism follows the
 original Weishaupt blueprint.

Mrs. Nesta Webster, a profound stu-
 dent of eighteenth century history, says:

"It was in the training of adepts that
 Weishaupt showed his profound subtle-
 ty. Proselytes were not to be admitted
 at once to the secret aims of Illuminism,
 but initiated step by step into the high-
 er mysteries — and the greatest cau-
 tion was to be exercised not to reveal
 to the novice doctrines that might be
 likely to revolt him. 'One must speak,'
 Weishaupt explained to the superiors
 of the Order, 'sometimes in one way,
 sometimes in another, so that our real
 purpose should remain impenetrable to
 our inferiors.'"

Architects of the international Com-
 munist Party built their organization
 according to the same plan. A few
 minds at the top do the creating, while
 those down the line follow instructions
 and execute policies with blind obedi-
 ence.

The modern Communist movement
 even adopted the Illuminati practice of
 having leaders change their names. As
 Weishaupt was known as Spartacus,
 von Zwack as Cato, and Baron von
 Knigge as Philo, etc., so in the present
 Communist movement Vladimir J. Uli-
 anov became Nicolai Lenin, Josef Djou-
 gashvili became Josef Stalin, Vyacheslav
 Scriabin became Molotov, Bronstein be-
 came Leon Trotsky, Appelbaum became
 Zinovieff, Rosenfeld became Kameneff,
 Sobelson became Karl Radek, Finkel-
 stein became Litvinoff. Karl Marx him-
 self was no exception in this regard.
 His real Jewish name was Mordecai.

Illuminati leaders in France trans-
 formed Masonic lodge rooms into Jac-
 obin Clubs and used them as centers

of subversion. Crimes against religion, morals and government were organized and carried out in the same way that Communist cells operate today. Weishaupt was called "The patriarch of the Jacobins."

Collectively, these club rooms became the seat of the Reign of Terror which demanded a prolific toll of blood and suffering from the French people. A similar underground exists in every nation of the twentieth century, where branches of the Communist Party are tolerated.

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PROFESSOR JOHN ROBISON, a scholar, Mason and Scotch Presbyterian, lived contemporaneously with the French Revolution and made several trips to the continent. Fortified with first hand information, he wrote one of the most valuable books on revolutionary movements ever penned. He made a painstaking study of the Illuminati.

Being a professed Christian and loyal Mason, Robison's discoveries moved him deeply. He died under unexplained and mysterious circumstances soon after publishing his book.

He was careful to disavow continental Masonry, explaining that Illuminism had perverted and changed it into a vehicle of vice and crime. The Masonic Order in France was described as being poles removed from the Order in England and the United States — as different as day from night.

Professor Robison's book has long since disappeared from the markets, but a copy was found in the Congressional Library at Washington, from which the front cover was photographically reproduced for the sixth page of this *Defender*. Several paragraphs, giving an insight into the Author's discoveries, are quoted below:

"In my early life, I had taken some part in the occupations (shall I call them) of Free Masonry; and having chiefly frequented the Lodges on the Continent, I had learned many doctrines, and seen many ceremonials, which have no place in the simple system of Free Masonry which obtains in this country (England) ...

"I had been initiated in a very splen-

did Lodge at Liege, of which the Prince Bishop, his Trefonciars, and the chief Noblesse of the State, were members. I visited the French Lodges at Valenciennes, at Brussels, at Aix-la-Chapelle, at Berlin, and Konigsberg; and I picked up some printed discourses delivered by the Brother-orators of the Lodges.

"At St. Petersburg I connected myself with the English Lodge, and occasionally visited the German and Russian Lodges held there. I found myself received with particular respect as a Scotch Mason ..."

Then Robison tells how he came into possession of many lodge secrets in France, which he felt free to disclose upon returning to his home in England, not being bound by oath to remain silent concerning them.

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AS PREVIOUSLY stated, Weishaupt palmed off the higher degrees of his Illuminati, as advanced knowledge and esoteric wisdom toward which Masonic lodge members should reach. Thus a cloak was woven to cover his crimes against society.

He also succeeded in infiltrating a large segment of the Jesuit Order, as well as some of the existing Protestant bodies. But Masonry in Germany, France and Italy suffered the most.

Protestant dupes of that period remind us of modern liberal leaders of the various denominations who have, for several years, faithfully espoused the cause of Communism.

Weishaupt gloated in a letter to Cato (von Zwack): "The most admirable thing of all is that the great theologians, Lutherans and Calvinists, who belong to our Order, really believe they see in it the true and genuine mind of the Christian religion. Oh! man, what cannot you be brought to believe!"

By this means, as Philo (the Baron von Knigge) later pointed out, the Illuminati was able "to tickle those who have a hankering for religion."

The foregoing facts explain where present day Communists learned their technique of *infiltration*. We have seen civic clubs, patriotic societies, educational bodies, women's organizations, departments of government, political parties, labor unions, churches and many other groups diverted from nor-

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mal courses by Communists planted in their ranks.

Persons whose minds became contaminated by Weishaupt Illuminism were transformed into deists, atheists and anarchists. The false teachings thus imbibed gave them a warped outlook upon life. They became unfit for membership in organized society.

Robison says:

"I saw men of rank and fortune, and engaged in serious and honorable public employments, not only frequenting the Lodges of the cities where they resided, but journeying from one end of Germany or France to the other, to visit new Lodges, or to learn new secrets or new doctrines ...

"German Masonry appeared a very serious concern, and to be implicated with other subjects with which I had never suspected it to have any connection.

"There, and more remarkably in France, I found that the Lodges had become the haunts of many projectors and fanatics, both in science, in religion, and in politics, who had availed themselves of the secrecy and the freedom of speech maintained in these meetings, to broach their particular whims, or suspicious doctrines, which, if published to the world in the usual manner, would have exposed the authors to ridicule, or to censure ...

"I found that this impunity had gradually encouraged men of licentious principles to become more bold, and to teach doctrines subversive of all our notions of morality — of all our confidence in the moral government of the universe — of all our hopes of improvement in a future state of existence — and of all satisfaction and contentment with our present life, so long as we live in a state of civil subordination.

"I have been able to trace these attempts, made through a course of fifty years, under the specious pretext of enlightening the world by the torch of philosophy, and of dispelling clouds of civil and religious superstition which keep the nations of Europe in darkness and slavery.

"I have observed these doctrines gradually diffusing and mixing with all the different systems of Free Masonry; till, at last, an Association has been formed for the express purpose of *rooting out all the religious establishments, and overturning all the existing governments of Europe.*

"I have seen this Association exerting itself zealously and systematically, till it has become almost irresistible: And I have seen that the most active leaders in the French Revolution were members of this Association, and conducted their first movements according to its principles, and by means of its instructions and assistance, formally requested and obtained: And, lastly, I have seen that this Association still exists, still works in secret ...

"And when we see that the methods which were practised by this Association for the express purpose of breaking all the bands of society, were employed solely in order that the leaders might rule the world with uncontrollable power, while all the rest, even the associated, will be degraded in their own estimation, corrupted in their principles, and employed as mere tools of the ambition of their unknown superiors; surely a free-born Briton will not hesitate to reject at once, and without further examination, a plan so big with mischief, so disgraceful to its underlying adherents, and so uncertain in its issue ...

"The Association of which I have been speaking, is the Order of Illuminati, founded in 1775 by Dr. Adam

Weishaupt, professor of Canon Law in the University of Ingolstadt (southern Germany) ..."

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It seems fitting to conclude this exposure by quoting an excerpt from an editorial which appeared in *The Defender Magazine* of September 1936:

"The program of the Illuminati has expanded to include all nations. This octopus is rapidly fastening its tentacles upon America and our citizens are too lazy, too dull of understanding to realize what is taking place.

"Robison quotes Weishaupt as saying: 'Our secret Association works in a way that nothing can withstand.'

"Lenin and Trotsky were the 'Weishaupts' of the Russian storm eighteen years ago; there is every indication that they headed the self-propagating Order which had continued to live under the surface. The Conspiracy now has its representatives all over the world.

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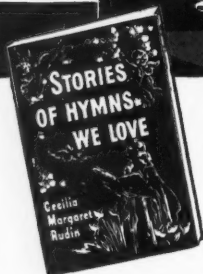
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- ★ It is imperative that patriotic Americans shall know what is the real spirit behind this force ... and how it has been able to bring so many people under control, in so short a period of time.
- ★ Kenneth Goff, a former member of the Communist Party and now a minister of the Gospel, knows the conspiracy from the inside. He has just completed a book which answers these timely questions, and gives a deeper insight into Communism than ever previously known.

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Scripture reading John 4:35.

THERE ARE three great duties of a Christian. They are found in three commands of Christ, containing one word each. They are "go," "pray" and "look."

We should go and we should pray, but today, if it were in our power, we should like to lift you out of the seat in which you are sitting and help you see the bigness of the task which is before us.

Let us push back the horizons until we see the whole world and its needs; and if we cannot go ourselves, give until it hurts to make it possible for others who can carry the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

This is a day of visual education. We learn more by seeing than we do by hearing. It is possible to have eyes and not see and ears and not hear. Some look at Japan and see only her cherry blossoms; at India and see only her ivory palaces; and at Africa and see only her gold.

What one sees is a test of his character. Our Lord says to us, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest." Let us lift up our eyes and *look*.

If we would broaden our spiritual horizons, let us consider four V's.

VICTORY

If we are to be victorious in spread-

ing the Gospel, we must see humanity through the eyes of Christ.

There are some who look upon the world with indifference. They are concerned about only that which affects them personally. They see things, not people. Like the priest and Levite, they pass by on the other side. They simply do not care about humanity.

There are others who, if they lift up their eyes and look at all, have the look of curiosity. They are like people who join the crowd in going to a fire, but do nothing but *look*.

There are others who look with disgust upon humanity. They do not like to look upon the open sore of the world for fear that, seeing, their hearts might be touched and they might have to do something about it.

The Christian way is the way of Christ. When He saw the multitudes, "He was moved with compassion because they fainted and were being scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." His heart was filled to overflowing with sympathy for those who suffered. His was the look of love. Most of His disciples learned this *look*.

We cannot broaden our spiritual horizons unless we first of all see Jesus. We must see "no man save Jesus only." We need to focus our eyes upon the crucified, living, reigning Saviour.

We need the vision of Jesus that Paul had. He could say, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision." We

should renew our view of Him as our personal Saviour from sin. We should see Him as David Livingston did when he said, "God had but one Son, and He gave Him to be a foreign missionary."

VISION

If we are to feel and suffer for the world as Christ did, our hearts and consciences must sense the appalling need of the world. Christ had a world mind and a world heart. His was a world-wide task as so is ours. The world presents a tragic picture indeed. It is hard to tell whether the world is upside down or inside out. The hymn writer seems to describe present conditions in the words:

"We are living, we are dwelling,
In a grand and awful time."

One of our statisticians told us a few years ago that the world is growing heathen at the rate of 6,000,000 yearly. The world, he said, was actually 270,000,000 more heathen and less Christian in 1935 than in 1890.

Over half of the world's population does not know what it is to go to bed at night having had three good meals a day. Hunger, lack of clothes, and appropriate shelter is the common plight of multiplied millions throughout the earth. The world is starving for bread.

The world is poor economically. We are told that the average income in India is less than a nickel a day, and that in Japan, China, India, and Africa combined it is hardly more than eight to 10 cents a day.

Intellectually the world abounds in illiteracy. At least one-half of the world cannot read or write.

Socially there are 60,000,000 untouchables in India, and 10,000,000 little girls are married before they are 10 years old. In all heathen countries womanhood and childhood count very little.

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Poor, bleeding, broken, blasted, bruised, benighted China has at least one-fourth of the world's population, and not a million of them Christian. Africa has almost as many gods as she has people, and there are at least 150,000,000 human beings there.

Japan has only a handful of Christians. Nothing but prayer can reach behind the iron curtain of communistic Russia. Palestine is overrun with Mohammedans and Jews. Italy has a form of religion but is starved spiritually. Religion in France and England is at a low ebb.

Our own beloved Nation is hardly more than 45 per cent professing Christians; and, besides, everyone who professes to be a Christian is not necessarily a Christian.

What are we doing about it? The 256 denominations and sects in our Country in 1945 had 30 missionaries per million people in Mexico, Central America, and the West Indies; 21 per million in South America; 56 in Africa; 14 in India; 13 in China; two in French Indochina; while at home we had 1,945 ministers for each million of population.

For lack of vision people perish. May God give us a vision of this poor, needy, suffering, hungry, sinning world.

VOICE

If we are to enlarge our spiritual horizons, there are two voices we must hear. The first is the voice of starving, suffering, sinning humanity. What an appealing voice.

Some time ago someone heard a baby, that had been thrown in a trash can, sobbing in the night. This is but a symbol of humanity's cry. The world cries for deliverance, forgiveness, guidance, peace, comfort, strength, and for eternal life.

Christ is the only answer to this cry. He is the desire of all nations. Only Christ and His Gospel can erase the physical misery, the moral degradation, and the spiritual darkness of the world.

They still cry as of old, "Come over and help us." We must hear the call from around the world.

If we hear humanity's pathetic cry, surely then we must hear the voice of Jesus saying to us, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." This is the voice of Jesus. "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

"My sheep," He says, "hear my voice." "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

Are you willing to hear His voice? Do you understand what He wants you to do? Christ is speaking to you now. Will you listen?

VOLITION

Alfred Tucker was a gifted artist. He once painted a picture of a hungry beggarwoman. He portrayed her with ragged clothes, hungry eyes, and a haunting look of despair. But as he looked into the wistful eyes of the beggarwoman he flung his brush aside and exclaimed, "Why don't I try to help people instead of painting pictures of them?" He gave up painting as his life's work and went as a missionary to Africa.

Does this not apply to us? Have we not talked about the needs of the world long enough? Isn't it time now for us to do something about it? Jesus said, "They need not depart; give them to eat."

A missionary said, "I can't sleep for thinking of those people." Let us awake out of our sleep.

Is it worth while? Yes, it is the most gloriously worth while undertaking on earth. It would be worth while if your son or daughter lived in a heathen country. If it is worth while for us to have Him as our Saviour, then it is worth while for every person the world over to have Him, too.

Dr. Laubach, in his book, "Wake Up or Blow Up," says that all Protestant Churches together are giving an average of \$1.26 per member for foreign countries; less than two and a half cents a week. He thinks that of the 15 per cent deductible from taxation, five per cent should go for the local Church, including home missions; five per cent for foreign missions; and the remaining five per cent for other philanthropy. "It is late, very late now, but not too late," he says.

Jesus says, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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There are difficulties. You are confronted with a large volume, and your time for serious reading is limited; but you are surprised to find that one of the shorter books may be read in a few minutes, one of the longer ones in an hour.

You meet with strange customs and characters, with miracles and mysteries, and you are tempted to conclude that the Bible is too obscure for you to understand; but then you are reminded that the earlier books were written for peasants in old Palestine and the later ones were read and enjoyed by freedmen and slaves in the days of Paul.

On the other extreme, you may belong to that group of good people who honestly believe that they know the Bible and that it is too familiar to require frequent review. In reality, no one knows the Bible so well that he can afford to neglect it.

Those who study it continually testify to the fact that some new surprise awaits them in practically every chapter that is read.

There are difficulties in daily reading, but there are also constant encouragements. Possibly the supreme stimulus is found in the practical character of the Bible. It is the *Book of Life*.

Its truths bear upon the problems, the experiences, and the beliefs of all persons in all circumstances. This encouragement is phrased in the immortal words of the Master: "Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me."

Even our physical life is closely related to Bible reading. Other things being equal, the habit insures more per-

fect bodily health. This Book may be regarded as the first treatise on hygiene. Moses taught ancient Israel which foods to eat and which to avoid, not only to keep his people distinct from other nations, but because he knew which forms of diet were most safe and which were dangerous. He taught cleanliness and purity, the danger of infection, the need of periods of rest and refreshment as well as of daily toil.

The New Testament likewise teaches temperance, self-control, freedom from anxiety and fear and all those mental habits that make for physical health. Of all books which could be mentioned, the Bible is the most influential in aiding one to maintain "a sound mind in a sound body."

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book in the English language. It is greater than any philosophy or novel, because it contains in its own pages the greatest short stories, the greatest essays, the greatest philosophy, and the greatest beauty of thought. It is greater than all the other books in the world combined. It has no rival."

Moral life, however, is more important than mental culture. The supreme need of the individual and of society is a fixed standard of moral conduct. Does such a standard exist?

It is well for us to be reminded that the moral precepts of the Bible are immutable and changeless. The Ten Commandments have never become antiquated. They were not amended or abrogated by our Lord. He interpreted them. He taught men that these laws applied not only to outward acts, but that they concerned thought and motive and desire.

When opinions of right and wrong conflict, when social customs and political actions need correction and guidance, we should do well to turn to the Bible and to find it in a firm foundation for moral life.

There is, however, a plane of experience higher than physical health or mental culture or moral conduct. There is a reality in that which is termed spiritual life.

By this is meant a knowledge of God, fellowship with Him, and a belief in virtue and immortality. This is what our Lord meant when he spoke of "eternal life." He meant a kind of life which was revealed and embodied in Christ Himself.

In all the Scriptures, the central figure is our Lord. As we learn more of Him we shall know more of life in all its fullness. Your Bible will become increasingly precious and clear if your aim is to discover its witness to Christ, and if you come to Him to find the life He offers. "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent."

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CHEMISTRY AND CANCER

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Being ahead of his time, he has encountered prejudice, entrenched selfishness and greed. Drug interests stand to suffer heavy financial losses when his methods are given general application.

Organizations that should have been first to welcome his contribution to medical science, preferred to close their doors. They even tried to send him to jail.

The therapeutic value of the system of Treatment that bears his name has been long since established by a large number of cures . . . confirmed by hospital records, clinical findings, case histories, testimonials and other documentation.

Reputable physicians in all parts of the United States and other countries have for years used his chemical preparations with amazing results. Thousands of lives have been saved and much pain alleviated.

Now, at last, the principles which he has enunciated are being accepted. Like Pasteur, he causes chemistry to fight disease . . . and like Pasteur, he languishes under the thorny hand of persecution.

Dr. William Hale of the Dow Chemical Company says: "Koch is the modern Pasteur."

The following article by Pat McGrady, Science Editor of the American Cancer Society . . . published in the *Los Angeles Examiner* of April 29, 1952, demonstrates that medical science is being forced, under the impact of truth, to Dr. Koch's position.

The treatise bears the title "Cancer Chemotherapy," and reads as follows:

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"Nevertheless, a growing number of chemicals are being used to treat human cancers. Some of them bring dramatic relief of pain, improvement in the patient's condition and even the shrinkage of some cancers. But no reputable scientist claims a cure with any compound . . .

"Rutgers University scientists now can destroy certain rat tumors with two compounds called, for short, TEM and TEPA.

"A scientist at the Institute for Cancer Research in Philadelphia for several years has been altering the molecule of complex sugars (polysaccharides) produced by bacteria. The sugars will cure the cancers of some mice — cure them so completely that the mice will recover from cancer, die of old age, and, at the examination after death, show no sign of cancer.

"The compounds are extremely toxic, however, and in humans, the multiple sugars are used in safe doses only. They bring on great chills and fevers; and they produce pain in tumors where no pain has been felt. The discomfort is great but passing. At these doses the best polysaccharides can do is to pro-

duce remission of the cancers which lasts for several months.

"Now the scientist is attempting to produce sugars which will have greater anti-cancer effect and less toxicity."

Mr. McGrady then takes up the subject of "viruses" and says: "Some scientists have succeeded to the point where some viruses will completely destroy animal cancers."

Dr. Robert A. Lincoln of Medford, Massachusetts, has already explored this field, with the result that his Bacteriophage has been successfully used in treating over 5,000 victims of diseases "officially" pronounced incurable by medical bodies.

Whatever relieves suffering comes, in a broad sense, within the orbit of the Christian religion. This explains why The Defender is interested in scientific discoveries like those discussed above.

Koch Treatment Helps Sufferer

The Defender is in receipt of a letter from Dr. George J. Wenzlick of Davenport, Iowa, to a friend . . . describing the blessings which one of his patients, a victim of arthritis, derived from using the Koch treatment. Its text is as follows:

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sess information that might conceivably bring relief to some of these victims, I would be derelict in duty by failing to pass it on.

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Mrs. R., age 49 when the family approached me, married, the mother of three children, vastly overweight. Complained since the age of 14 of pains, soreness and stiffness of various joints.

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According to the chart, I expected a crisis during the eighteenth week and ordered her to bed accordingly. Both injections had been given on Thursdays. The crisis came, as anticipated, between midnight Thursday and Friday noon of that week.

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Arthritis should be regarded as a

symptom or signal that there is something in the human system which nature cannot throw off. Toxic materials have accumulated, piled up, to the overflowing stage.

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Very sincerely,

George J. Wenzlick, M.D.

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lower jaw bone which they removed in its entirety.

I was again operated in April 1951 at the same hospital, the University Hospital, for the removal of a mass in my neck that was cancerous. It then began spreading to my throat and neck which involved the food pipe and wind-pipe. I was very short of breath and had difficulty in swallowing.

My condition continued to get worse, with great suffering. And finally I could only swallow small quantities of food and soup. Three or four days before coming to the Corning Research Hospital, it became so bad that when I drank water, it would run out of my nose, and this was my condition on December 8, 1951. I felt that my days were numbered, as I knew I could not continue on in this condition much longer.

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I feel that I owe my life to the Bacteriophage treatment, as created by Dr. Robert Lincoln and administered at Corning under the direction of Dr. J. S. Schirmer. I am still taking treatments and continue to gain daily.

When I reported to the hospital in December, I weighed 148 pounds and today I balance the scales at 167 pounds. My strength has returned and again I want to say that I owe everything to the staff of the Corning Research Hospital and the Lincoln treatment.

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Lead him, I pray, not in the path of ease and comfort, but under the stress and spur of difficulties and challenge. Here let him learn to stand up in the storm; here let him learn compassion for those who fall.

Build me a son whose heart will be clear, whose goal will be high; a son who will master himself before he seeks to master other men; one who will learn to laugh, yet never forget how to weep; one who will reach into the future, yet never forget the past.

And after all these things are his, add, I pray, enough of a sense of humor, so that he may always be serious, yet never take himself too seriously. Give him humility, so that he may always remember the simplicity of true greatness, the open mind of true wisdom, the meekness of true strength.

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IKE AND KAY

Kay Summersby has written a scandalous book entitled "Eisenhower Was My Boss," describing her alleged employment by the General during the war. The following typical quotations are taken from pages 12, 13 and 23.

Walking into his suite was very much like walking into a Hollywood version of a cocktail party. In fact, it was a Hollywood version, because the general's aide, Major Sy Bartlett, was and is a writer in the movie capital.

Using the exclusive hotel and a high-Brass atmosphere as props, he had begun to stage a straight run of parties attended by other Hollywood-Broadway figures and the show people of London's West End. The smoke, the noise, and the rank were overpowering.

The general nodded briefly to everyone and strode into another room. I trailed along. He closed the door, sighed heavily, and sagged into a chair. I stood there uneasily, then sat down stiffly.

We sat like that — without a word — for the better part of two hours. He sat and thought; I sat and fidgeted. Finally, he looked up. "Thanks, Kay. Guess I won't be needing you any more tonight."

The scene became a common occurrence. I think it was partly because the general wanted me to stand by for any sudden trips, partly because he liked to have company during those mighty thinking bouts. I learned to smother any feminine instincts at conversation ...

Some days afterward, "Kay," he said, "I don't talk much. But I've hung onto you as a driver because you have a conscience something like mine. We'll arrange time-off somehow. War stops for some things." ...

The general said, "Just because you put a woman in a uniform, it doesn't change her sex." ... He shook his head and remarked fervently, what a blessing that his wife (was) "safe in the unbombed United States."

EISENHOWER AND THE RUSSIANS

The following illuminating letter from a Christian attorney in Oklahoma, deserves the attention of Defender readers.

May 16, 1952

Dear Dr. Winrod:

Thanks so much for your letter of May 12; also your mimeographed paper entitled "Eisenhower" which is informative and excellent.

Kay Summersby, by inference at least, concedes that Eisenhower was dead drunk when V-E day became official — drunk on Vodka. He lent support by his silence and his official conduct to the rape of Poland, to the debauchery and murder of German women and children and helpless men, and to the Russian program in the Balkans.

Few people realize that on V-J day, queer enough, he was also found with the Russians as a guest. On that day he stood at the Tomb of Lenin with none other than Joe Stalin himself for five hours reviewing the greatest display of human flesh to occur in our generation — the Russian National Sports Parade.

In his book, "Crusade in Europe," he admits that the eye can tire of viewing even female flesh. That night he attended a celebration, carefully staged by Harriman, to make it appear that Russia was entitled to share credit for winning the war against Japan.

Major General John R. Dean in his book, "Strange Alliance," tells how

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Harriman, after the Russians had tired and were about to leave, protracted a drunken orgy until official word was received of Japan's unconditional surrender, whereupon pandemonium broke loose, with a be-whiskered Russian kissing Eisenhower on both cheeks, but lamenting that the war ended before Russia had had an opportunity to butcher more Japanese!

The truth doubtless is that Stalin, when Russia declared war, actually knew that Japan had concluded to sue for peace unconditionally. The Russians turned coat on an ally to feast upon the carcass of a defeated and decaying nation.

Poor dumb Ike! He had no comprehension of the international outlawry that was going on under his very nose!

It is no wonder the reds in our borders are to a man promoting Eisenhower. During the most critical days of the world's history, he stood at the pinnacle of public responsibility and had the greatest opportunity possible for any American to know what was transpiring, but his mind was on Kay and Vodka, or at least so utterly addled that he did not know what it was all about.

A few minutes ago I dropped into a local store. A somewhat communicative lady clerk, considerably above the normal intelligence, was there. She apparently did not know me. I jokingly told her I was a Gallup poller looking for information and would she say who would be the next elected President. She took me seriously and promptly said "Eisenhower." This led me to interrogate her a bit further since she seemed willing to talk. I discovered that she was a Democrat who thought Roosevelt was the greatest man of this generation. She said she would vote for Eisenhower. She did not think Truman could get elected.

This thought-pattern is a queer phenomenon. The hard core of Eisenhower supporters will be found among the "Dealers," generally left-wingers who at heart are Socialists. How they can think with such uniformity and do — generally echoing the same thoughts

almost at the same time, is enough to create apprehension.

I am one of the many who are grateful for your efforts to arouse our people to their danger. Whether this can be done in time, however, I have begun to doubt.

NEW TYPE OF PUBLIC SERVANT

OUT OF the strange and fateful conflict that goes on in our midst, a new class of public servants has appeared. Some of them have shown courage of the highest order. All of them put the Nation deeply in their debt.

They include Whittaker Chambers, who is now telling serially the story of his life as a Communist, his redemption, and the decisive part he played in the Hiss trials.

Then there is the other ex-Communist, Elizabeth Bentley, who, before Chambers came to the stand, had told the Un-American Affairs Committee of that strange political underworld where intelligent and supposedly decent young Americans became traitors, spies, and tools of Moscow.

Then there is Herbert Philbrick, who has also told his story — the man who led three lives. He was never, like Chambers and Elizabeth Bentley, a Communist. An FBI agent, he only posed as a Red, being one of many loyal Americans who have infiltrated the Communist Party, much as the Communists seek to infiltrate American organizations. The eleven top Communists tried in Judge Medina's court can blame their conviction largely on Philbrick's testimony.

Now, Mrs. Berniece Baldwin, an FBI agent like Philbrick and, like him, a worker inside the Communist Party, has just testified at Washington before the Subversive Activities Control Board.

As she testified, said the *Detroit Free Press*, she resembled someone "kicking away an ant hill to reveal the hidden passages and scurrying creatures beneath it."

We Americans needed badly to have our eyes opened.

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THE GENOCIDE TREATY

Frank E. Holman . . . Past President American Bar Association

"The Genocide Convention should certainly not be ratified by the United States Senate."

IN 1946 a Human Rights Commission was appointed as a subagency of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was made its Chairman. Early in 1947 this Commission announced that it proposed to draft a Declaration of Human Rights and a Covenant on Human Rights. A little later it took up the matter of formulating a "Genocide Convention."

What is "Genocide?" The word was coined by a Yale professor, a Polish refugee. Translated into simple Anglo-Saxon, it means "race killing." It goes without saying that all decent men and women are opposed to any program, official or otherwise, which contemplates the destruction of a racial group in whole or in part. But out of this generality of the term "Genocide," a whole new class of individual crimes is to be created.

Acts are made punishable which are not only purely domestic in character, but public officials as well as private citizens are to be made amenable to international tribunals for a variety of ill-defined and ambiguous so-called acts of Genocide — to the extent that the causing of mental harm to a member of a group, or complicity in so doing, is an act of Genocide.

The United Nations Assembly at its Paris meeting in December 1948 adopted a Universal Declaration of Human Rights. In the dying hours of the same session of the Assembly, at which the

declaration was passed, the Genocide Convention was hurriedly adopted.

At the time little or no publicity was given the matter by the United States Department of State. On June 16, 1949, the Genocide Convention was submitted by the President to the United States Senate for ratification and referred to the Foreign Relations Committee.

At a hearing in January 1950 before a subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, members of the American Bar Association committee on peace and law through United Nations, appeared and submitted reasons and arguments against its ratification, pointing out the serious loopholes in its content, the failure of its language to include "Genocide" committed by governments — as, for example, the liquidation of political groups in Russia and Russian satellite countries — and the dangerous effect of the document on basic American rights if ratified by the United States as a treaty.

It should be kept in mind that in nearly all nations except the United States, even after the ratification of a treaty, each particular government may decide when and to what extent, if at all, it is ready to implement the treaty by the passage of national legislation, even though the signatories have agreed generally to enact such legislation.

The United States is the only important country (except France and Mexico to some extent) that faces the peculiar legal situation that when a treaty is ratified by our constitutional process (to wit, by the Senate) its provisions become a part of the supreme law of the land without either State or national legislation.

Article VI of the United States Constitution provides that a treaty when ratified becomes "the supreme law of the land" — "anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding." In this very fundamental respect the American Constitution is unique.

Unfortunately, those in charge of attempting to "sell" the United Nations human-rights program, including the Genocide Convention, to the American people have chosen to disregard this distinction. They persist in discussing treaty obligations as though the effect of a treaty were the same in America as in other countries.

They undertake to clinch their position by pointing out that certain proposed treaties, like the Genocide Convention, contain a provision binding the parties "to enact in accordance with their respective constitutions necessary legislation to give effect to the treaty," and they argue that this leaves each signatory country free to put the treaty provisions in effect or not, as each country may determine. Such a clause does not and cannot operate that way in the United States.

The position taken by certain lawyers in the State Department with respect to this matter is legally fallacious, because no such treaty provision can unwrite the self-executing effect of Article VI of our Constitution, under which no legislation is necessary to put a treaty into effect.

Hence, if an international agreement like the Genocide Convention is ratified as a treaty, it will supersede every city ordinance, every county ordinance, ev-

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ery State law, and every State constitution, as well as every Federal statute on the same subject.

This has been specifically decided in such a recent case as the California alien land case *Juui v. State of California* (217 Pac. 2d 481). See also *Perez v. Lippold* (198 Pac. 2d 17), in which case the Supreme Court of California overruled the long-established law in that State against mixed marriages.

Of course, no decent person can quarrel with the announced objective of the Genocide Convention — to wit, the outlawing of mass murder of groups of people — but the present document is so drawn that it does not apply to liquidating political groups as “enemies of the State.” Hence, it does not apply to Genocide as practiced by Stalin in Russia or in the Russian satellite countries.

In drafting article II of the Convention and in order to appease the Russians, Genocide was limited to “national, ethnical, racial or religious groups.” The political group was omitted. Under the Russian technique of attacking political groups as “enemies of the state,” Genocide occurs and will continue to occur on the theory that such liquidation is not for the purpose of destroying “national, ethnical, racial, or religious groups.”

Hence, dictators can sign the Genocide Convention with complete immunity. All they need to do is to classify a particular group as “enemies of the state.” George A. Finch, of Washington, a member of the Committee on Peace and Law through United Nations of the American Bar Association and editor in chief of the *American Journal of International Law*, testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee in January 1950:

“The Genocide Convention is an outstanding example of an international agreement upon which the public has been and is being misinformed. As Genocide is defined in the Convention, it does not apply to the mass killings and destruction of peoples by totali-

tarian governments, but appeases such governments by making it possible for them to continue, as they are doing today behind the iron curtain, the monstrous treatment of thousands of human beings whom those governments regard as enemies of the Communist states. There is not a word in the Convention which denounces as Genocide the mass killing and destruction of peoples by governments.”

Article I of the Convention commits all signatory nations “to prevent and to punish” Genocide “committed in time of peace or in time of war.” Therefore, if the United States ratifies the Convention, it will be committed to go to war to prevent Genocide in some distant country, as, for example, India, Iran, Russia, Argentina, or elsewhere.

The definite obligation is to prevent and punish Genocide wherever it appears in the world — whether in civil, racial, and religious wars, or in national and ideological struggles. This would require a procedure of interference in the internal affairs of other nations, and in the case of countries able to defend themselves, such as Russia, would mean war.

The Convention invades the field of domestic law and changes and nullifies domestic law. In his letter of transmittal to President Truman, James E. Webb, Acting Secretary of State, quoted the United States representative on the United Nations Legal Committee as agreeing that —

“If an individual is murdered by another individual, or by a group, whether composed of private citizens or Government officials, as part of a plan or with the intent to destroy one of the groups enumerated in article II, the international legal crime of Genocide is committed as well as the municipal-law crime of homicide.”

What does “intent to destroy” mean? Was it absent from the race riots in Detroit and Harlem? In lynchings in Georgia? Was it absent in the civil war in China? In border conflicts between India and Pakistan? Are we to be committed to stop genocide wherever it occurs in the world and have a series of experiences like that in Korea?

Again, George A. Finch testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee in January on “intent to destroy” and “mental harm” as follows:

“Can it be successfully denied that segregation laws are susceptible of being denounced as causing mental harm to all members of the group against which such laws discriminate? Minority groups in this Country are vigorously seeking to have such discrimination abolished by Federal legislation. Can there be any reasonable doubt that if Congress fails to enact the civil-rights laws now being urged upon it and if this Convention is ratified as submitted, members of the affected groups will be in a position to seek

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legal relief on the ground that this so-called Genocide Convention has superseded all State legislation?"

When is "mental harm" serious, when is it harmful, and when is it only mental? No American judge or jury will be the last arbiter of that question. It will be answered finally by the International Court of Justice if the United States Senate ratifies this Convention as a treaty.

Thus, the International Court of Justice is in a position to determine when an American citizen should be punished — a prerogative up till now reserved exclusively to our own laws and our own courts.

The Genocide Convention, if ratified, constitutes a threat to freedom of speech in the United States, for article III sets forth "that incitement to Genocide" and "complicity in Genocide" is punishable as Genocide. As to this, the American Bar Association committee on peace and law, through United Nations, made the following observation:

"This was adopted in spite of repeated objections of the United States representative that it was a plain infringement of freedom of speech and freedom of the press. Who shall judge if

political speeches are incitement to Genocide? (An international court.)

"Who shall judge as to freedom of the press? As a prevention of Genocide shall censors be provided by the State? Representatives of many countries insisted that as between Genocide and freedom of speech and freedom of the press, the latter must give way. The position of our representatives seemed to be incomprehensible to many of them.

"The representative of the United States boldly said that Genocide should stop where freedom of speech begins."

Under Article VI a specific provision is made for the trial of American citizens in courts in other countries, and under article VII for extradition to a foreign jurisdiction.

If the United States ratifies this treaty, it will mean that we have agreed to set up the machinery for extraditing Americans charged with Genocide and for shipping them overseas to be tried for acts committed in their own home towns, and this, it has been pointed out, may be for as little as having been

charged with inflicting "mental harm" on a "national, ethnical, racial or religious group."

It may even mean that the telling of a story reflecting on the characteristics of a particular racial group may be treated as inflicting "mental harm" or as "incitement to Genocide."

The Genocide Convention may be briefly characterized as follows:

First, it fails as to its primary purpose of preventing Genocide committed by Government and hence is a document of appeasement as far as Russia and other dictator nations are concerned.

Second, it commits the United States to go to war, if necessary, to prevent Genocide in any distant part of the world where the members of any "national, ethnical, racial, or religious group" are being killed.

Third, it invades, changes, and nullifies American law as heretofore exclusively determined by our own Congress, our own State legislatures, and our own courts.

Fourth, it threatens the American concept of freedom of speech and of press as guaranteed by our Bill of Rights.

Fifth, it denies Americans the right to be tried in their own courts and the right to invoke such safeguards as trial by jury and presumption of innocence until proved guilty.

Because of the foregoing considerations, the Genocide Convention is an outstanding example of emotional internationalism and loose and hurried draftsmanship. As pointed out by the American Bar Association, it should certainly not be ratified by the United States Senate.

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Washington Report

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Note the change of internationalist party line.

Suddenly and simultaneously, John Foster Dulles, Tom Dewey, the Luce press (*Time & Life*), Commentator Albert Warner, Columnist Marquis Childs and other champions of the Truman-Acheson foreign policy have switched to criticism. It's a trick. Don't bite!

The new "line" is that the Korean action is a failure; the Marshall Plan spending has not done the job and will instead bankrupt the United States; NATO (European army) is not jelling and even if it jells is inadequate.

The policy of containment around Totalitaria's 20,000 mile border is leading to our militarism and bankruptcy and a hunch by our "allies" that we will collapse while straining. *Thus speaks Dulles, stealing the thunder of Wherry, Jenner, Taft and Byrd.*

The Euro-isolationists "who think only of Western Europe without regard to the Near, Middle and Far East and Africa, are just as blind as those who think only of the United States," continues Dulles. And Ike takes words out of the mouth of General MacArthur: "Korea is just as important as Germany, Asia as Europe; the world menace is one."

What a reversal!

Now look out for the new line in the political campaign. Eisenhower will open up as a daring critic of the policy of which he has been a part. He will appear to steal Taft's thunder; take the wind from MacArthur's sails. Truman is no longer a factor, Acheson is expendable (by tacit understanding, of course; he will step into an ambassadorship or back into fat international

law practice based on giveaway of American dollars).

Just what is this brave, new policy with which disgusted voters are to be wooed, exhilarated, sent forth to vote for Ike and pay and die for unlimited Internationalism once more?

It is not the George Washington nationalism of the late Senator Wherry, of Senators Jenner and Dirksen, Congressman John Wood of Idaho and many others. It is not the "reasonable" internationalism of Taft, or Byrd — oh, no!

The foreign policy internationalists have discovered why their own past treacheries, stupidities, and misguided affections have failed. They have discovered that Stalin cannot be licked piecemeal. We must now scare him from any more small aggressions and smash him if he commits another by putting everything into a world force under one command.

Instead of returning in chagrin from a more and more glaring failure, Ike steps from the footstool of European and Atlantic Command to the throne of prospective World Force Commander as President of the United States — he's to be put there by internationalists of both Parties and those in between.

You can also see the further compromising of American rights and constitutional guarantees, by treaty, and by bald infringement, as American boys and girls become part of conscript military garrisons around the world and American taxpayers become life-inden-

tured slaves to grandiose or greedy dabblers in United World schemes!

The Acheson snakes who have until now hissed "warmonger" at those who said: "Deal with the source, not the puppets," swish out unabashed with the new "Challenge Stalin" policy. That gives the manipulators of war-economy prosperity their trigger to set off a full sized shooting war when the need compels. The Eisenhower movement keeps a door open to war while pretending, for benefit of the deluded, the opposite.

And you will be amazed how many Americans are going to go for this, hook, line and sinker!

Remember Whittaker Chambers' warning that Communists under Moscow's discipline were not weeded out of high places in the United States Government with exposure of Alger Hiss and the Ware cell. Chambers and other reconstructed Reds have said they were told that Donald Hiss also was under Party discipline.

Donald is still the principal attorney in Dean Acheson's law firm. Do you think any administration free from Communist taint and rot would keep as its foreign affairs chief, the partner of the brother of a proved agent of an enemy power?

This sheds bright light on Senator McCarthy's most statesmanlike utterance to date: "All the troubles of the American people and the world including crushing taxes and the menace of obliterating war, are due to the infiltration of Communists and fellow-travelers into the New Deal and internationalist circles. No official, group or Party connected with this should be left in charge of our future." He says correctly: "The Red high command has sent out the order: 'Get McCarthy'."

Intellectuals, Liberals, Socialists, New Dealers and the Jewish Gestapo are saying unitedly, "Get McCarthy." Surely Wisconsin voters will not be duped come November.

Internationalists have America walking the Last Mile now, with Charming Ike and the Elegant Intellectuals confusing many American voters.

They, who have disregarded all laws of political sportsmanship and honesty of purse and word, now say to Senator Taft: "You must not attack a fellow-Republican (meaning Ike)." They now profess willingness to lead the attack on Truman-Acheson policy. They are wolves in sheep's clothing.

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"From taxation have come the longest and bloodiest wars, including our own Revolution," she continues. "By undermining the rights of private property, the foundation of civilized government, it has destroyed one civilization after another, and bids fair to finish the one in which we find ourselves. Therefore the history of our country, as of any country, can be written in its tax bills."

Two phases of the existing system are indicted ... the Income Tax and the Withholding Tax. The first threatens to destroy the American way of life. The second violates the Constitutional guaranty against involuntary servitude.

Followers of the Marx-Engels doctrine which advocates use of a progressive income tax to destroy Capitalism, slipped the Income Tax Amendment over on unsuspecting American taxpayers. Miss Kellems demands its repeal.

Equally sinister were the motives of those who wrote the Withholding Tax law ... which commandeers the employer into involuntary servitude, denies American workers the right of administering their own affairs, generates ill will between employer and employee, and places the finger of the politician in every pay envelope.

Miss Kellems delivered an address before the Los Angeles Rotary Club on February 20, 1943, which attracted nation-wide attention. She announced



MISS KELLEMS

that her factory in Westport, Connecticut, would defy the Government by refusing to deduct, and pay Withholding Tax, from the pay of its employees.

Prosecution was invited in order to bring a test case before the courts. She denounced the law as "illegal, immoral and unconstitutional."

As might be expected, the name Kellems was promptly smeared by New Deal propaganda, mud and vilification. But the challenger stood her ground!

Not until May of the same year did the Department of Internal Revenue act. Four blustering agents swooped down, demanding payment of the taxes she had refused to take out of the envelopes of the people on her payroll.

They knew that the employees had themselves paid the tax, but to demonstrate their toughness and at the same time teach the "cantankerous female" a lesson, they demanded the full amount

as a penalty for refusing to make the deductions. Despite the fact that no court order had been issued, they succeeded in intimidating her banker into surrendering \$1,685.40 of company funds.

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Agents for the Government had evidently neglected to investigate Miss Kellems' background. Had this been done, they would have discovered that she was no novice in tax matters.

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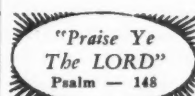
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THE PICTURES of 18 students appear on these pages — comprising the 1952 graduating class of the Defenders Theological Seminary ... located at Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

Men and women who attend this school receive training for Christian service which compares favorably with the best offered by fundamental seminaries and Bible training institutes in the United States.

Great poverty exists in Puerto Rico, due in part to over population. Many students come from the poorest and humblest walks of life. Their schooling depends upon assistance received from Christians residing in the United States, who possess a missionary vision and heart motive. This is true of the fine group of students whose photographs are being published in this *Defender*.

The Seminary has just ended its seventh year ... and the phenomenal progress thus far witnessed, confirms the fact of God's blessing on the undertaking. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes." Psalm 118:23.

All students are native Spanish-speaking Christians, whose lives have been dedicated to preparation for the Christian ministry.

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The arrangement, whereby interested friends in the United States may sponsor students of their own will be continued. By practicing rigid economy, the total cost of a school-year averages \$17.50 per student, each month. This provides for bare essentials, such as food, books, dormitory accommodations for those who live on the premises ... and other incidentals.

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Eighteen Sponsors are happy this month over the graduation of their respective students.

Readers of this Department of *The Defender Magazine*, will please bear in mind that the next school-year will start in September (1952) ... and be thinking and praying about assuming the support of a student. An enrollment of 150 is anticipated.

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BECAUSE of its luxuriant tropical beauty, Puerto Rico is called the "Gem of the Caribbean." Theodore Roosevelt was so impressed by its scen-

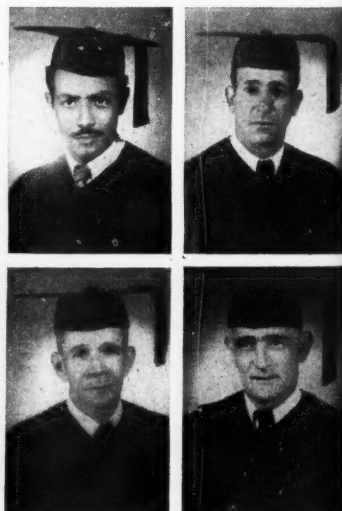
ery that he called it the "Switzerland of America."

When approaching this colorful Isle from the air or by ship, one is impressed by its striking tropical allure. Ashore, however, Puerto Rico is found to be a land of tragic contrasts. The majority of her dense population lives in appalling poverty. Conditions are particularly bad in the rural districts. Disease stalks the island, with hookworm, malaria and tuberculosis demanding a constant toll.

It is not because Puerto Ricans are lazy that their children run naked, and whole families go to bed hungry, night after night. They gladly work when employment is available. Industries are lacking. The average man who toils in the sugar cane, may expect employment for only two or three months out of the year.

On the whole, Puerto Rico is one of the most needy mission fields in the Western Hemisphere. Surely none offers richer dividends for eternity.

The Defenders organization is doing missionary work in eight different parts of the world. Special prayer is requested for all these fields.



A LETTER FROM THE JUNGLES

Dr. H. H. Jones, Defender missionary to Liberia West Africa, is in the United States on furlough at Jackson College, Jackson, Mississippi . . . where he graduated a half century ago. The following human interest letter recently reached him from the person who is in charge of the station during his absence.

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Dear Doctor:

Greetings in the lovely name of our Lord who said: "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God."

Today marks the last Sunday in April, your birth month. The Chapel was crowded with children and many grown-ups. We had a glorious time praising and thanking God for His wonderful love and keeping power.

Although you were not here on your birthday, which was the 18th, yet we prayed for you, asking God to preserve your life for many more birthdays. Above all, we prayed for your safe return to this field of labor.

You are needed here as soon as your health will permit. Things are going well, but the work requires your guid-

ing hand. I cannot write about everything, but there are a few details you must know.

Etta Wright and Robert Taylor have given 2,100 pounds of rice, fish and meat to help carry on in your absence. But these supplies have been mostly used up and our shelves are low. We are now eating rice for breakfast and dinner. In Monrovia, it is \$8.00 a bag but even there the stocks are down.

God has never failed to provide for our tables in all these years and He will not forsake us now.

I would start the boys planting potatoes, but some of the houses are leaking, and they have to cut thatch and fix roofs before the rainy season begins. It will take them another week to finish this work.

The chickens are doing nicely and we have not lost too many since you left. We have a lot of baby chicks now. Try to bring some poultry medicine to spray the nests and pens when you come.

We have finished handling this year's crop of grapefruit and sold some to help meet expenses. Our supply of palm oil is low because William's sickness has made it impossible for him to cut enough nuts.

There is lots of sickness. Many are asking when you will be back to care for them. Several have died in the villages.

Be sure to bring some secondhand clothing that we can distribute to those in greatest need. Garments can be exchanged for rice as a substitute for money. Bed clothes, towels, tablecloths, shoes, children's things, dresses, shirts, listerine, liniment, castor oil, yaw medicine and many others — bring with you.

Brother Holmes' son paid us a visit and has gone to Monrovia looking for a job. We had a heartbreak here last week, learning about Edwin stealing, and the law sending him to prison. This is a mark against our mission that will require time and prayer to rub out.

Tell Jackson College that we appre-

ciate its kindness to you. But hurry home as soon as possible. The congregation wants you back. *We now have 49 students enrolled in the school and they keep asking when to expect you.*

Bring some garden seed and some funny little games for the children, also another basket ball if you can.

I learned that the President will be up here next month. The folks are busy already, making preparations. I hope he will come this time and not disappoint them again.

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—Oliver Cromwell.

A man who seeks truth and loves it must be reckoned precious to any human society.

—Frederick the Great.

Popularity is a crime from the moment it is sought; it is only a virtue where men have it whether they will or no.

—Sir George Savile.

They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

—Benjamin Franklin.

He that wrestles with us strengthens our nerves and sharpens our skill. Our antagonist is our helper.

—Edmund Burke.

The people never give up their liberties but under some delusion.

—Edmund Burke.

Tarquin and Caesar each had his Brutus, Charles the First his Cromwell, and George the Third may profit by their example. If this be treason, make the most of it.

—Patrick Henry.

It is our true policy to steer clear of permanent alliances with any portion of the foreign world.

—George Washington.

We are not weak if we make a proper use of those means which the God of Nature has placed in our power.

—Patrick Henry.

Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!

—Patrick Henry.

God wills us free, man wills us slaves. I will as God wills, God's will be done.

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The God who gave us life, gave us liberty at the same time.

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The condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance; which condition if he break, servitude is at once the consequence of his crime and the punishment of his guilt.

—John P. Curran.

We owe it to the amicable relations existing between the United States and those powers, to declare that we should consider any attempt on their part to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety.

—James Monroe.

Our Federal Union: it must be preserved.

—Andrew Jackson.

The delicate duty of devising schemes of revenue should be left where the Constitution has placed it — with the immediate representatives of the people.

—William Henry Harrison.

Government is a trust, and the officers of the government are trustees; and both the trust and the trustees are created for the benefit of the people.

—Henry Clay.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON NUMBER ONE

June 15, 1952

THE POWER OF TRUTH

Ex. 20:16; Mark 7:14-23;

John 18:15-27

MEMORY TEXT: "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "TRUTH."

Pilate was laboring under great pressure. Jewish mobs were demanding the assassination of the divine Saviour. The Roman jurist, convinced of our Lord's innocence, tried hard to save Him.

John records the following incident during the course of the hearings:

"Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth . . . Pilate saith unto him, *What is truth?* And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all."

What is truth? Only one man has ever lived a completely truthful life on this earth. And He was convicted, in an illegal trial, in violation of the Ninth Commandment, which reads: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

A lie is a terrible thing. It is frequently the spark that ignites a conflagration. The world's woes result largely from the fact that people prefer to lie rather than be truthful. Truth builds constructively and promotes harmony. Falsehood destroys and breeds discord. Lies always demand a penalty, as observed for instance, in Acts 5:1-11.

What is truth? It is not metaphysical, intangible, something nebulous beyond human reach. It is concrete, tangible and demonstrable. It is a quality or state of being faithful.

Such words as fidelity, constancy,

faithfulness, loyalty and veracity associate themselves with truth. Sincerity in character, action and speech. Genuineness in expressing feeling and belief. In philosophy and theology, truth is any position that squares with facts.

In His tender prayer for the disciples, Jesus asked the Heavenly Father to "sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Fortunately we have the Scriptures as a guide. They place before us words of truth. Every effort should be made to conform to the standards noted in the teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS JOHN 18:23.

"Jesus answered him, If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well, why smitest thou me?"

The disgraceful episode of a vile hand, crashing into the face of God's Son was enacted in the kangaroo court of high priest Caiaphas. Jesus asked: "Why smitest thou me?"

It is a paradox that the Man who was the embodiment of truth should have been so flagrantly betrayed by

falsehood. He was falsely charged, and finally convicted by a conspiracy of lies.

The court record, printed in the four Gospels, contains at least 17 reversible errors. Christ's trial was a travesty on justice. Law books describe a "reversible error" as an illegal decision, made in a lower court, that warrants the appellate court in reversing the judgment.

There are 17 clear reasons why the trial of Christ was illegal. Even the fundamental accusations were fraudulent.

First, the Jews charged Him with Blasphemy, because He professed to occupy a place in the Godhead. The Sanhedrin could not inflict capital punishment under Roman law . . . and Blasphemy was not punishable by death in a Roman court.

So, second, the Jewish leaders changed the charge to Sedition and falsely accused the Saviour of leading a rebellion against Caesar. They violated the Ninth Commandment and made the lie stick!

(3) THE KEY FACT: VITAL CHRISTIANITY IMPOSES RESTRICTIONS ON CONDUCT.

Jesus, arrested about midnight in the Garden of Gethsemane, was tried six times prior to His crucifixion the following noon . . . before Annas, Caiaphas, the Sanhedrin, Pilate, Herod and back to Pilate. Peter's denial took place during the first three appearances.

The fire before which he warmed himself, is emblematic of the tendency to seek ease and comfort while avoiding hardship and Cross bearing. Christ needed the companionship which Peter could have given, but a wicked lie crossed the disciple's lips three times — an incident which thereafter filled his soul with sorrow and remorse.

Loyalty to Christ imposes restraint upon human tendencies. There must be discipline in the army of the Lord.

"Lying lips are abomination to the Lord: but they that deal truly are his delight." Proverbs 12:22.

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LESSON NUMBER TWO

June 22, 1952

ABHOR GREED

Exodus 20:17; Luke 12:13-34

MEMORY TEXT: "He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house." Proverbs 15:27.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "COVETOUSNESS."

There are two kinds of covetousness — good and bad. Paul speaks of the Holy Spirit's power in the life of a believer and says: "Covet earnestly the best gifts."

The word means a "consuming desire for gain or possession." It is possible to covet things that are good, legitimate and consistent with the welfare of others. It is also possible to develop a wholly selfish, inordinate, avaricious attitude toward material possessions — a selfish desire for what belongs to others.

In Scripture, covetousness is generally associated with selfishness and greed, although there are exceptions. The man in the parable of today's lesson was covetous in the wrong sense. The desire for goods completely overbalanced his life. Like many today, he allowed himself to become galvanized in self interests, to the exclusion of other values which enter into the sum total of human existence.

A covetous person lives as if the world were made altogether for him. The needs and wishes of others do not count. His vision becomes narrowed to himself. His soul becomes cramped.

The man in the parable took inventory of his assets, considered the ground that he possessed, counted his barns, examined his goods and said . . . "Soul, take thine ease, eat, drink and be merry."

Indolence, gluttony, drunkenness, licentiousness — a sensual, selfish view of life! Jesus called the man a "fool," a word in Scripture which means both an absence of intelligence and a lack of moral balance. This creature of the flesh lacked a sense of right and wrong.

He thought he knew how to live . . . but proved that he did not know how to die. "Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee. So is he

that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS LUKE 12:31.

"But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you."

The parable of this lesson is a parenthesis, bracketed between two deeply spiritual lines of thought which the Master developed during one of His most important public discourses.

He was saying that, "The Holy Ghost shall teach you," when suddenly a man stepped forward and asked Him to act as arbitrator in a financial settlement. The interruption must have been offensive to those present.

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Beloved reader, money won't spend in heaven; and in hell it is absolutely worthless. Right here on earth is the place to make it work for God. Let us stir ourselves up to crucify the idol of covetousness and resolve to spend and be spent for God.

Sad news comes from India. One of our ablest workers, Brother S. K. Baidya, was called to his heavenly rest on March 27th. The Board of Managers held a Memorial Service at our Home Office on April 20th and approved a plan for the relief of the widow and orphans left by our departed brother. We are in communication with our administrator out in Calcutta to put this plan into effect, and to arrange for able replacement in the service.

"God buries His workers, but carries on His work" is still true. May God help every one who reads these lines to feel a fervent compassion for the lost and come to our help as we raise the Lord's standard in a region of heathen darkness. Your prayers and financial help are needed, as we endeavor to be faithful in all the manifold problems pressing upon us.

Your brother in Christ,

E. H. CROWSON, TRUSTEE.

Jesus paused, warned against the dangers of covetousness, and returned to the spiritual level of the message — concluding with a clear statement regarding His second coming (Luke 12:35-40).

His words, explaining that material supplies would be "added" where a right spiritual relationship existed with God, have furnished inspiration for multitudes of believers. One writer says: "When we keep ourselves in God's will, He keeps us."

(3) THE KEY FACT: THE INNER LIFE NEEDS CLEANSING.

Today's lesson is concerned with the Tenth Commandment, which stands like a fence to guard the other nine. A man free from covetousness will be less likely to break the other bands of the Decalogue. The series as a whole binds rebellious human nature with spiritual cords.

The last Commandment clearly portrays the *spiritual base* of the Law. All Ten Commandments, taken collectively, deal with the sin problem at its source — namely the human heart. "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man." Matthew 15:19-20.

A state of sin may be said to exist, even though the sinful act has not found physical expression. This inner condition brings a sense of guilt upon the sinner. A change can be wrought only by a definite work of the Holy Spirit.

The cry of the Psalmist indicates the only corrective: "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

LESSON NUMBER THREE

June 29, 1952

THE DIVINE LOVE MOTIVE

Mark 12:28-34;

John 13:34; 15:10-14

MEMORY TEXT: "This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you." John 15:12.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "LOVE."

It is impossible to define this word. There are several terms in the Hebrew

and Greek translated *love*, but their combined definitions fail to convey what is meant. There is truth in the Scotchman's statement that, "It is better felt than telt."

The root word in John 13:34 is *agapao*. Other basic words occur in Bible texts. Taken together they only represent a futile attempt to provide language for something the tongue cannot describe. The compounded definitions convey ideas something like the following:

(a) A feeling of strong personal attachment. (b) An unreserved attitude of sympathetic understanding. (c) A sense of complete rest and satisfaction. (d) Ardent affection growing out of extreme benevolence. (e) Emotional action of unrestrained vehemence.

Jesus waited until the very close of His ministry on earth to proclaim the "new commandment." He was about to give the human race, composed of sinful people, a supreme demonstration of love — by laying down His life for *them*. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13.

Every phase of our personality is to be expressed, and absorbed, in the love of God. "Heart, soul, mind, strength" (Mark 12:30). The Heavenly Father deserves first place in our thoughts, feelings and affections.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS JOHN 13:34.

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

Jesus always showed utmost respect for the Law of Moses. In giving the "new commandment," He did not abrogate any of the old commandments received at Sinai . . . but rather flooded them with new meaning.

Unlike most of the Jewish leaders who came trying to trip the Master, the scribe of today's lesson approached Him with a sincere spirit and an open mind.

"Which is the first commandment of all?" not first in order, but first in importance. Jesus answered by merging the Ten into Two. "Thou shalt

love the Lord thy God" and "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

The scribe agreed and enlarged upon the answer. Jesus complimented him: "Thou art not far from the kingdom of God."

Practical religion, manifested in an attitude of love toward God and man, was admitted to be of greater value than external observances, "burnt offerings and sacrifices." It is the heart condition that counts, rather than rites, symbols and ceremonial practices.

From this background emerged our Lord's "new commandment," embodying the ideal that His love "shed abroad in our hearts," should find constant expression toward others.

(3) THE KEY FACT: DIVINE LOVE IS THE BADGE OF DISCIPLESHIP.

Immediately following His definition of the "new commandment," Jesus explained that it was to be like a badge, prominently displayed by all believers. "By this sign shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." John 13:35.

True Christians will be tender, loving, kind and gracious . . . not mean, hateful and spiteful toward one another.

LESSON NUMBER FOUR

July 6, 1952

THE AGE OF THE JUDGES

Judges 2:8-17; 21:25

MEMORY TEXT: "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Proverbs 14:34.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "BAALIM."

Like Americans of the twentieth century, the Israelites of ancient times were a favored people. They proved unworthy and came under cataclysmic judgments. Religious apostasy was responsible for the collapse of their nation.

The loss of spiritual balance preceded moral breakdown. As often hap-

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pens, the builders of a nation are followed by dissipated destroyers. "There arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord."

False religion, not atheism, invaded the kingdom. Baalimism, like Modernism in the present-day Church, had a denaturing, devitalizing effect upon the religious life of the people.

Baal was the chief male deity of the Phoenicians. Ashtoreth was his female counterpart. Worship of these pagan divinities, figments of perverted imagination, involved immoral, degraded, licentious practices of the most extreme type.

The People's Bible Encyclopedia says: "The worship of Baal among the Jews seems to have been appointed much pomp and ceremony. Temples were erected to him. His images were set up. His altars were numerous. The officiating priests danced with frantic shouts, and cut themselves with knives to excite the attention and compassion of the god."

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS JUDGES 21:25.

"In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

With the weakening of moral and spiritual foundations, respect for law disappeared. The foregoing verse describes the state of *anarchy* which came to exist. Will this phase of ancient history repeat itself in the United States? There are ominous trends in that direction.

Leaders of the past, relying upon the arm of the Almighty, built a great and powerful nation in this part of the world. They believed in God. Everything they said and did reflected faith in the Word of God.

But things are different today. Statesmanship has deteriorated. We are passing through a moral and spiritual sag. The Church life of America is weak, due to internal attacks by Modernism ... and external attacks by Communism and Atheism. This institution, entrusted with the responsibility of keeping the national conscience alive, has lost the spiritual power it once possessed.

We should learn a lesson from the period of the Judges and retrieve our moral and spiritual losses with haste. Otherwise, destruction awaits us! History writes with a legible hand.

(3) THE KEY FACT: BEWARE OF "OTHER GODS."

It is easy to test the reference to "other gods." India offers an example. Her idols number into the millions, clouding the souls of the people with superstition and paganism. And they still plow with crooked sticks drawn by oxen.

Rev. Abner Nelson, whose ancestors were converts from Hinduism, gives the following word picture:

"Let us enter a heathen temple where the savage goddess Kali Mai (Black Mother) is worshipped. Kali is one of the most powerful idols of India. She is worshipped by untold millions. A Hindu will walk hundreds of miles barefooted, over dusty roads and fields, to reach a place where this hideous image stands.

"She is a bloodthirsty goddess and her wrath can therefore be appeased only by the spilling of blood.

"The idol is invariably built of mammoth proportions. It has a huge female head, bulging eyes, vulgar leering mouth, thick tongue lying out on her chin dripping blood, four writhing sinuous arms and coarse hair streaming down the back. Her body is purple-hued and massive.

"One hand holds the decapitated head of a man. Another clutches a gory knife used for beheading purposes. The third hand points upward and the fourth downward. A huge foot is clamped upon the body of a man. Kali has just severed the head of her husband to quench an insatiable thirst for blood.

"We find ourselves in a large temple, replete with ornate carvings, filled with a milling crowd of screaming, awe-stricken worshippers. The people are here to appease this Goddess of Blood Sacrifice.

"Multiplied millions of my people live in this moral and spiritual darkness. My heart aches for them. It is true that some are finding Christ and walking in the light of the Gospel, but at best the percentage thus released from the fetters of heathenism is small.

"Kali lives! She is more than an inanimate idol. She lives in the souls of precious, perishing human beings whose cry resembles the dirge of a dark night."

But there are other idols, aside from those like Kali, in lands denied the light of the Gospel. There are also "other gods" of selfishness, greed, worldly pleasure, covetousness, licentiousness, etc. ... to be avoided.

LESSON NUMBER FIVE

July 13, 1952

A COURAGEOUS WOMAN

Judges 4:4-8; 5:1-7

MEMORY TEXT: "Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "DEBORAH."

Deborah's prophetic gift, rather than military acumen, qualified her for the office of a Judge. She was a prophetess. But this does not mean that she was strictly a foreteller of events.

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The primary meaning of a prophet is seer, meaning one possessing spiritual capacities for penetrating the veil and discerning the movements of God. This quality must be taken into consideration in accounting for Deborah's extraordinary achievements.

Apostasy so weakened the Israelitish people that they came under the domination of other nations. Jabin, a cruel Canaanitish king, ruled over them in the days of Deborah.

Sensing God's willingness to intervene in their behalf, she sent an inspired message to Barak, bidding him to assemble ten thousand men for war against their conquerors. He agreed, but only on the condition that she would accompany him into battle.

The name of the Canaanitish field general, against whom Barak pitted his strength, was Sisera. "And the Lord discomfited Sisera, and all his chariots, and all his host, with the edge of the sword before Barak." This success was followed up until Jabin was overthrown.

The event emphasizes the value of feminine powers in the service of the

Lord. It is a preachment on the fact that women who live exemplary lives are capable of shouldering special responsibilities. It is a condemnation of sins and habits which weaken and debase womanhood.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS JOSHUA 1:9.

"Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed."

Be strong. Be of good courage. Be undismayed. Be in God.

Good people are made strong by God's power, promise and presence. Faith in God has been described as a fulcrum by which our limited strength becomes a lever to move a mountain.

A little magnet can lift scarcely a half pound. Connected with a dynamo it can raise a ton. Your talents may seem small ... but connected with God, there is no way to estimate your strength for Christian service.

"This command to Joshua clearly implies that it is a human responsibility to maintain a certain state of being. We can, and we must believe. It

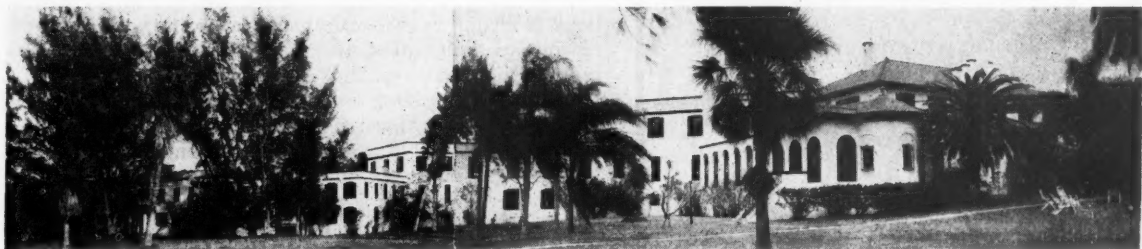
is a sin to doubt God. It is a clear cut duty to use all of one's strength and be courageous, fearless and unfrazed in obeying God's command. Have the faith to obey God wholeheartedly." Higley's Commentary.

(3) THE KEY FACT: GOD PUTS A SONG IN THE HEART.

The victory over Sisera and Jabin was celebrated by the "Song of Deborah and Barak" — generally believed to have been composed by Deborah.

It often happens that periods of darkness and sorrow, on the part of God's children, are followed by victory and exaltation. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." Psalm 30:5.

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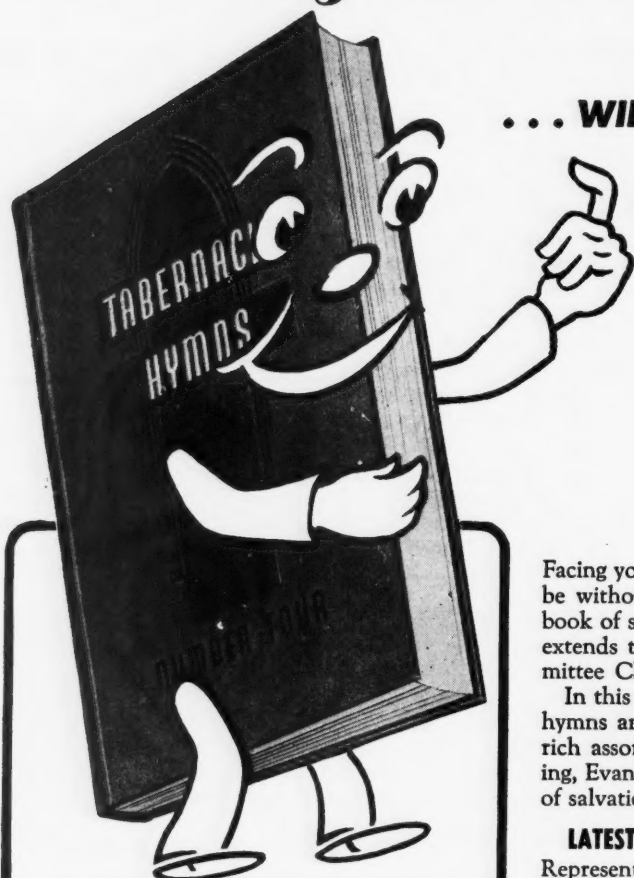
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